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HISTORICAL CALENDAR PERRY COUNTY, ILLINOIS

PINCKNEYVILLE, ILLINOIS
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St. Bruno Catholic Church, dedicated in 1872

HISTORY OF ST. BRUNO CATHOLIC CHURCH OF PINCKNEYVILLE

St. Bruno Parish in Pinckneyville is celebrating its 125th anniversary during 1996-97 with special events throughout the year. It began on October 26, 1996 with the Feast of St. Bruno and concluded with a Mass of Thanksgiving concelebrated by the Most Reverend Wilton Gregory, Bishop of Belleville and the Reverend John L. Venegoni, pastor of St. Bruno Church on October 5, 1997. There have also been pulpit exchanges with former pastors and native sons of the parish, allowing many remembrances with the present congregation.

Before the year 1871, St. Bruno Parish was a mission to Du Quoin which was administered by Reverend Charles Klocke. The earliest settlers of this parish were mostly immigrants from Bavaria and Baden, Germany. Some of the names were Sebastian Epplin, George Bischof, Erhart Mader, John Rosenberger, Charles Guemalley, John Lunnemann, Michael Eichholz, Matthew Schneider, Joseph Schwetzler, Joseph Schilling, John Miller, John Kellerman, John Bommerscheim, Fred Mentel, Dr. Reilley and Hugh Boyle.

Reverend Klocke was pastor of the Sacred Heart Church, Du Quoin, Illinois, but served a large area including Pinckneyville, DeSoto, DuBois, Radom, Centralia, Odin and Sandoval in addition to his parish duties. He was born at Marienmuenster, Germany on April 15, 1841, ordained at Montreal on June 21, 1868, and departed this life on Thursday, February 9, 1911 at his home in Du Quoin.

In the year 1871, a large area was divided into three districts of Pinckneyville, Du Quoin, and Todd's Mill. The first St. Bruno Catholic Church in Pinckneyville, a brick structure, was erected through the efforts of the parishioners and Reverend Charles Klocke in 1872. It had a seating capacity of 250 and cost \$5,000. The steeple was built in 1911 at a cost of \$3,000, and the sacristry and sanctuary were added later a cost of \$1,000.

The original rectory was a one-story frame building. It was replaced in 1892 by a two-story brick building which was used until the present rectory was completed in 1965.

St. Bruno Parish has been fortunate to have had a school for its children almost from the beginning. The first school, built in 1887, had one classroom for sixty students. The nuns lived on the second floor. A two-room school was built in 1891. In 1940 it was moved across Gordon street and added to the Lehmanhouse, making a three-room school for over 100 students. Now the students have a two-story building dedicated in 1956. It has classrooms and a computer lab on the main floor. Each grade-level classroom now has its own computer. Kindergarten, library, cafeteria, offices, and the eighth grade class are in the basement. Pre-school is held at the Parish Center. The nuns are housed in a two-story convent attached to the school. The Adorers of the Blood of Christ Nuns have served St. Bruno's Parish since 1887.

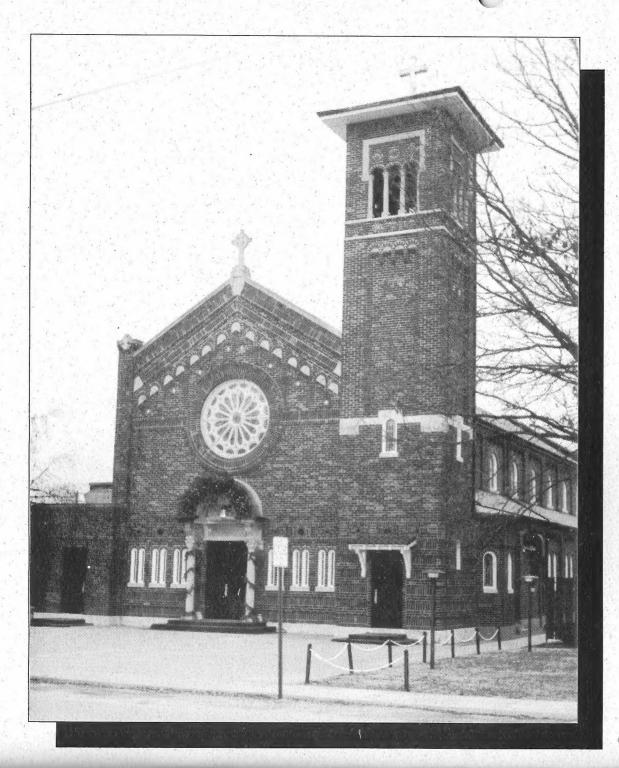
The Parish Center, constructed in 1966, includes a gymnasium for physical education and a lounge for many activities.

The parish has a cemetery of six acres about one mile from the Church on Route 154 West. This property was purchased in 1873. Before that time the Parishioners were buried in the city cemetery.

Pastors who have served St. Bruno Parish are: Rev. Charles Klocke of Du Quoin 1872-1878; Rev. L. Riesden (first resident pastor) 1878-1879; Rev. Charles Klocke 1879-1880; Rev. Henry Ader 1880-1883; Rev. William Krug 1883-1884; Rev. Joseph Schneider 1884-1917; Rev. Charles Strumpen 1917-1923; Rev. Joseph A. Munier 1923-1956; Rev. James Calhoun (assistant) 1955-1956; Rev. James McCormick 1956-1963; Rev. Glennon Sims 1963-1973; Rev. Timothy Foley 1973-1987; Rev. Eugene H. Wojcik 1987-1993; Rev. James Nall 1993-1996; Rev. John Venegoni 1996-

(Photograph and information were provided by Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Mann of Pinckneyville.)

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St. Bruno Catholic Church Dedicated in 1950.

(Photograph courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Joe Mann.)

January 1998

The actual 125th anniversary of First Mass at St. Bruno Catholic Church is May 26, 1997.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				I New Year's Day	2	3
4	5	Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	7 Willard Fillmore 1800-1874 1850-53	8	9 Richard M. Nixon 1913-1994 1969-1974	10
11	12	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	14	15	16	17
18	Dr. Martin Luther King Jr. Birthday Observed	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society 6:30 p.m.	27	28	William McKinley 1843-1901 1897-1901	Franklin Delano Roosevelt 1882-1945 1933-1945	31
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Some of the persons on this photograph have been identified. Beginning with the first row of children and moving from left to right they are: 2. Willard Neal 5. Walter McMurray 8. Carol Ross Layman 24. Weldon Midyett 25. Robert Doll 26. Phillip Barron 30. Tucker Woodside 31. Edward Watson 36. Harry Reynolds 37. John Kell 42. Elaine Provart Mayor 44. Maxine Pittman Booker 47. Ruth Doll 56. Ruby Wright Hayes 63. Dorothy Price 66. Ruth Cook 67. Elizabeth Mickelson Hess 69. Anna Lee Dowell 76. Lillie Rhine 77. Mable Knauer 78. Clara Croessman 80. Mrs. House 81. Emma Long 82. Celeste Flynn 83. Clara Sneed 84. Jesse Pittman McNulty 85. Catherine Essick Boyd 87. Grace Marlow Cole 88. John C. Winthrop 89. Jack Winthrop

February 1998

Primary Department (6, 7, 8 years of age) of First Baptist Church of Du Quoin, Illinois. Circa 1921. John C. Winthrop was the Sunday School Superintendent and Reverend R.F. Doll was the Pastor.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
I	2 Groundhog Day	Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	4	5 Ronald Reagan 1911 - 1981-1989	6	7
8	William Henry Harrison 1773-1841 3/4 - 4/4/1841	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	11	Abraham Lincoln 1809-1865 1861-1865	13	14 Valentine's Day
15	16 President's Day	17	18	19	20	21
22 George Washington 1732-1799 1789-1797	23 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m.	24	25 Ash Wednesday	26	27	28
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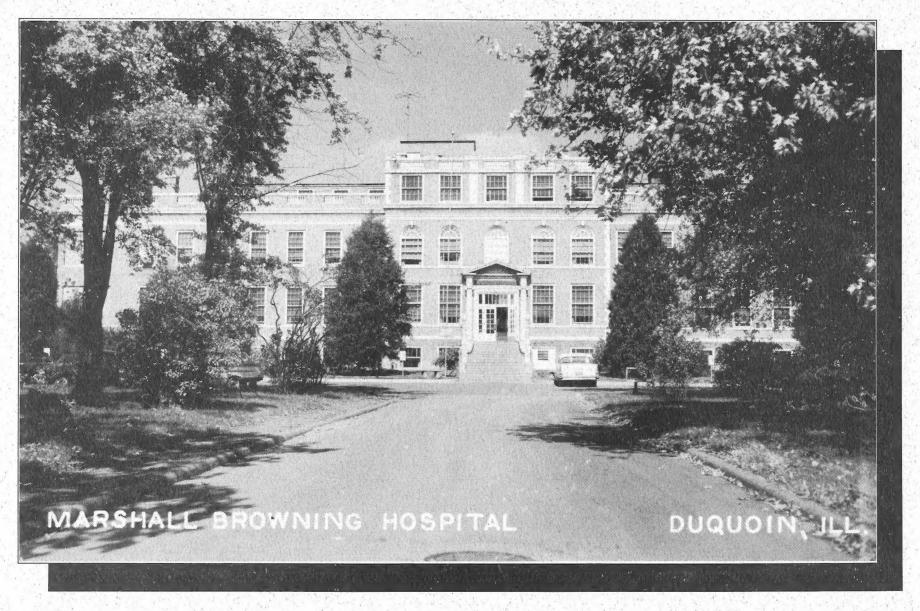
Hotel Sherman on the Southeast side of the square in Pinckneyville

(Photograph courtesy of Mr. Wm. Cunningham)

March 1998

The Hotel Sherman was a thirty-four room Hotel with a bath at the end of each floor. Patrons had to take a number to use the bath. The Hotel became a very important place for organizations to meet and travelers to gather.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	11	12	13	14
Andrew Jackson 1767-1845 1829-1837	James Madison 1751-1836 1809-1817	St. Patrick's Day	Grover Cleveland 1837-1908 1885-1889; 1893-1897	19	20 First Day of Spring	21
22	23 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m.	24	25	26	27	28
29 John Tyler 1790-1862 1841-1845	30	31				
					FEBRUARY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28	APRIL S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 1 12 13 14 15 16 17 1 19 20 21 22 23 24 2 26 27 28 29 30



Marshall Browning Hospital located at the north end of Washington Street in Du Quoin was formally opened on July 20, 1923.

April 1998

Money for the hospital was left to Du Quoin in the will of Lillie F. Browning to erect a public hospital in the memory of her husband, Marshall.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			April Fool's Day	2	3	4
Palm Sunday Daylight Saving Time Begins	6	7 Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	8	9	10 Good Friday	First Day of Passover
12 Easter Sunday	13 Thomas Jefferson 1743-1826 1801-1809	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	Secretary's Day	James Buchanan 1791-1868 1857-1861	24	25
26	27 Ulysses S. Grant 1822-1885 1868-1877 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society Meeting 6:30	James Monroe 1758-1831 1817-1825	29	30		
	Cooling Modeling Oldo				MARCH S M T W T F S I 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	MAY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31



In 1898, the original four rooms of the Pinckneyville school system erected on 1868 were replaced with an eight room structure which was joined to the two wings making the present twelve room building.

May 1998

"Prejudice and ignorance are giving way to progress and intelligence. The evidences are clearly seen in the erection of a new school building, the purchasing of apparatus, and the general interest manifested." Perry County Supt. of Schools 1867-68 Report.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3 , 14 / 4 / 4	4	Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	6	7	8 Harry S. Truman 1884-1972 1945-1953	9
Mother's Day		Perry County Historical Society Meeting	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24	25 Memorial Day Observed	26	27	28	29 John F. Kennedy 1917-1963 1961-1963	Memorial Day
31					APRIL S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	JUNE S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30



The Du Quoin Township High School on Washington Street was completed in 1906.

June 1998

The class of 1907 was the first to graduate from the new township high school, and Professor C.W. Houck was the first superintendent.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 - 1 -	Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	3	. 4	5 v.* · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	6
7	8	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	10	11	12	13
14 14 14	15	16	17	18	19	20
Flag Day						
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
Father's Day			George Bush 1924- 1989-1993			
28	29	30				
		·			MAY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31



County officers and employees in front of the Perry County Court House. Circa 1900 Numbers are on the photograph. 1. Mr. Montague 2. John J. King 3. Chas H. Roe 4. Judge W.S. Wheatley 5. Walter Kimzey 6. Horace W. Adams 7. Ezra Woods 8. Louis Croessman 9. Hiley Ward 10. Dempsey Winthrop 11. Henry Driemeyer 12. John Moore 13. A.A. Driemeyer 14. Wm. H. Smith 15. Sam Rule

July 1998

Dempsey Winthrop was a descendant of the Honorable Charles E.R. Winthrop (1816-1877), who was of English ancestry, and a descendant of the Pilgrims who landed at Plymouth Rock, in 1620.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4 Calvin Coolidge 1872-1933 1923-1929
						Independence Day
5	6	7	8	9	10	John Quincy Adams 1767-1848 1825-1829
12	13	14 Gerald Ford 1913- 1974-1977 Perry County Historical Society Meeting	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society 6:30 p.m.	28	29	30	31	
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World War II Roll of Honor of Cutler, Illinois

August 1998

These signs appeared all over America to honor the members of our armed services who served their country in World War II.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9	Herbert Hoover 1874-1964 1929-1933	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	12	13	14	15
16	17	18	William Jefferson Clinton 1946- 1993-	20 Benjamin Harrison 1833-1901 1889-1893	21	22
23	24 Genealogy Branch of the Perry County Historical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m.	25	26	27 Lyndon B. Johnson 1908-1973 1963-1969	28	29
30	31				S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31	SEPTEMBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30

Ladies in the first balloon are left to right, Bessie Meyer, Eva Smiley, Ethel Gemmill, Anna Mae Brown, Grace Blair, and Florence Smiley. Occupants of the second balloon have not been identified.

UP! UP! AND AWAY





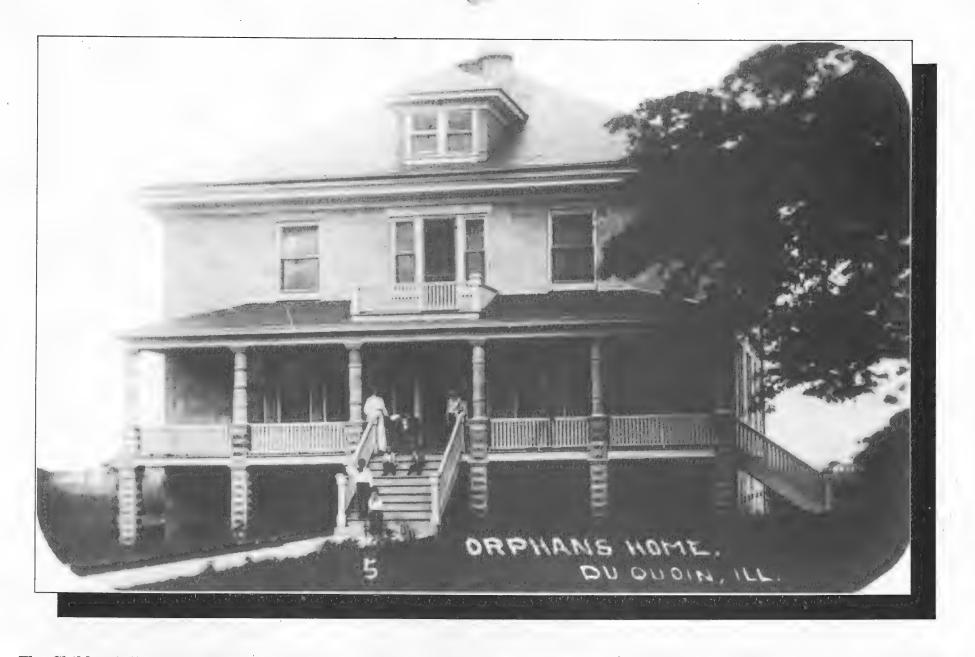




October 1998

An enterprising photographer has built a setting for exciting photographs. No ride this time, but maybe in the future.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				James Earl Carter 1924- 1977-1981	2	3
4 Rutherford B. Hayes 1822-1883 1877-1881	Chester A. Arthur 1830-1886 1881-1885	Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	7 1. 11 14.17	8	9	10
11	12	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	Dwight D. Eisenhower 1890-1969 1953-1961	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25 Daylight Saving Ends	26 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m.	27 Theodore Roosevelt 1858-1919 1901-1909	28	29	John Adams 1735-1826 1797-1801	31 Halloween
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The Children's Receiving Home, at 104 S. Line St. in Du Quoin, was constructed by the Reverend Martin Van Arsdale in 1908.

November 1998

The Receiving Home also served as an Old Folks Home at one time. It was purchased and restored by the Morgan family in 1986. It is also known as Francie's Bed and Breakfast.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
I	Warren G. Harding 1865-1923 1921-1923 James Knox Polk 1795-1849 1845-1849	3 Election Day Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	4	5	6	7
8	9	Perry County Historical Society Meeting	Veteran's Day	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	James A. Garfield 1831-1881 1881-7 months	20	21
22	Franklin Pierce 1804-1869 1853-1857 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m.	Zachary Taylor 1784-1850 1849-1850 (15 months)	25	26 Thanksgiving Day	27	28
29	30					
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Francie's Bed and Breakfast Inn celebrates the Christmas Season

(Photographs courtesy of Mr. and Mrs. Tom Morgan)





December 1998

Restoration of this historical building is the fulfillment of a dream for Francie Morgan, who grew up in the neighborhood, and played with many of the children who lived at the home.

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		Beaucoup Creek Chapter NSDAR Meeting	2	3	4	Martin Van Buren 1782-1862 1837-1841
Pearl Harbor Day Remembered	7	Rerry County Historical Society Meeting	9	10	11	12
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
20	21 First Day of Winter	22	23	24	25 Christmas Day	26 Woodrow Wilson 1856-1924 1913-1921
27	28 Genealogy Branch of Perry County Historical Society Meeting 6:30 p.m.	29 Andrew Johnson 1808-1875 1865-1869	30	31 New Year's Eve		
					NOVEMBER S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30	JANUARY S M T W T F S 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10 11 12 13 14 15 16 17 18 19 20 21 22 23 24 25 26 27 28 29 30 31

This calendar is a collaborative effort between Beaucoup Creek Chapter, NSDAR and The Perry County Historical Society.

Subsequently, calendars in this series will include a wide diversity of photos from numerous public and private sources.

We hope you enjoy these historical photos and the information provided for each month of 1998. We feel that this calendar serves as an interesting, yet functional keepsake to be enjoyed long after the year's end.

We also want to ask for your help and involvement.

Work will soon begin on the 1999 calendar. Please feel free to provide us with dates and years of significant, important church, civic, business, family, organization or club events.

If you have an interesting date, just send (typed or neatly printed) the full date and a description of the event which occurred on that date to:

1999 Historical Calendar

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Be sure to include your complete name, mailing address and phone number so we can contact you. Thanks for your cooperation!

We think you will enjoy this 1998 Perry County Historical Calendar, and we look forward to continuing the series for many years to come.